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Applicant: Aaron T. Jones
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INFORMATION
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Docket No.: 112300-030

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Sir:

In connection with and further to the Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 of Aaron Jones filed on December 11, 2002 with the Response to Office Action, the Applicant submits the following attached article for the Examiner's consideration in connection with the Response. In particular, the article is from the January 6, 2003 issue of "Strictly Slots" magazine. The article describes upcoming features that will appear in slot machines in 2003. One described feature, in particular, provides that "if we want to know what a symbol pays, we won't have to sift through help screens; we only have to touch the screen." This statement made in this article supports the statements made in the Declaration of Aaron Jones that there was a long-felt but unmet need for the present claimed invention in the wagering gaming industry. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter and consider such article in connection with the previously submitted Declaration and Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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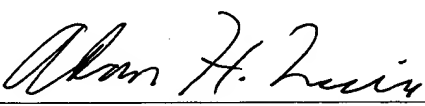
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